its object, China will never have peace. Therefore it is perfectly clear that the preservation of peace in China depends-on the solution of one and only one problem.

Though it is an extraordinary matter for a Government to support the people of another country to overthrow their Government, yet extraordinary men accomplish extraordinary deeds in order to attain extraordinary results. You are the extraordinary man and this is the extraordinary opportunity, so I have dealt with the matter at length.

I, Sun Wen, am the representative of the Mintang, so I make bold to tell you what we hope from Japan. Moreover, if you consult history you will find that Prance supported ^ America, Great Britain supported Spain, and the United States supported Panama. The support of Prance was accorded on the ground of humanitarian principles, that of Great Britain for self-preservation in the Napoleonic campaign, while the United States wanted to enjoy the facilities of the Panama Canal.

By assisting the Chinese to overthrow their despotic Government afi the three merits mentioned above will accrue to the country that accords the support. What is the fear, then, which prevents this proposal from being acted upon. It is scarcely necessary to mention that, in order to prevent diplomatic complications, secrecy and adroitness are necessary for carrying the matter to a successful issue.

I offer my opinion, for the interest of the future of the Par East, and entreat you to take it into your careful con-sideration, and to enlighten me with your opinion.

Yours, etc., etc.,

(Signed) SUN WEN.

Comment on the above seems superfluous. The man who later described the present status of China as that of a "hypo-Colony" of the "Imperialist Powers " was willing, in order to secure his personal ends, to hand over its trade, industries

and natural resources for exclusive exploitation by its Island neighbour.